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(SBU) PolOff on March 16 delivered reftel demarche and points urging nations to join the United States in rejecting and condemning Russia's decision to recognize South Ossetia and Abkhazia as independent states to Mohammed Ensour, in the Foreign Minister's Private Office. Ensour offered no substantive response but promised to convey the message to the European Department. Post will follow up and report any substantive response.

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